Telegraphic News.

FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20, 2½ p. m.—The usual quantity of rumors consequent upon a single change in the cabinet are in circulation this morning.

But one member of the Cabinet (Mr. Seward) has as yet resigned, and it is not definitely known who will be his successor. Among others named are Charles Francis Adams, Minister to England. In case he is recalled to assume the portfolio of State, Senator Foot, it is said, will be appointed minister to England. Sumner has also been mentioned in high quarters as Seward's successor, but Wm. Pitt Fessenden, of Maine, stands a better chance than the former.

The change in the Cabinet will be nearly complete, so much so, indeed, as to organize a new one, on an entirely radical base.

There is no doubt but that Gen. Halleck has sent in his resignation, and it is equally certain that Gen. Burnside a day or two ago tendered his resignation.

The censorship of the press is being exercised with sterner vigilance than ever.

E. M. D.

Letter From Washington.

Since the late disaster at Fredericksburg the feeling has grown strong, almost universal that there must be a a change in the Cabinet and policy before the war can be prosecuted further. It has finally took shape by a number of Republican Senators waiting upon the President last night, and urging the reconstruction of his cabinet. On being informed of the intention of the Senators, Secretary Seward and his son, the Assistant Secretary, tendered their resignations. They have not yet been accepted, but it is highly probable they will, and that Secretary Blair will follow suit, and Gen. Halleck will be removed. Secretary Stanton still retains the confidence of the President .-[Correspondence of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

A recent letter of Gen McClellan, responsive to a vote of thanks from the Philadelphia Common Council, contained this sentence:-"The events of this war have shown that the fighting qualities of our private soldiers may be relied upon by our Government, and that if military failures occur, their causes must be looked for in defects of organization, command or plans."

J. Dennis, jr., of New York, has sent six boxes of goods to the contrabands of Alexandria, and two for those of Washington. J. Dennis acts for the Quakers of New York.

The New York World says:-"The Union cause in New Orleans, it would appear from the statements of a gentleman recently arrived from there is in a very prosperous condition, and is not likely to be under the rule of Gen. Butler. He informs us that a great portion of the leading people of the city, who were not unfavorably disposed toward the federal government, and who would have rendered efficient aid to the Union cause under other circumstances, have been almost hopelessly alienated by the course pursued by the U.S. officers in that city. He says Gen. Butler is throughly and intensely hated by the people of the place, and that the Federal troops there, with the exception; perhaps, of a few favored New England regiments, detest him."

The Albany Evening Journal quotes the following paragraph from the Cincinnati Gazette, and accompanies it with comments.-"Certain New York members of Congress are said to have been detected in receiving fees for procuring commissions in the army, in one case charging as high as four hundred dollars for their services in procuring a single commission of a low grade." "We have heard similar rumors, and they point to Hon. Alfred Ely, Representative in Congress from the Monroe District, in this State."

Gen. Wadsworth, late military governor of the District of Columbia, will leave for the army of the Potomac, in which he has been assigned the command of a brigade.

DIED.

At Uniontown, Loudoun co., Va., CHRIS-TOPHER IRELAND DORSEY COSTIGIN, of St. Mary's county, Md., in the 23d year of his age. He was a grandson of the late Hon. Clement Dorsey, of Maryland, and a young man of rare promise, beloved by all who knew him for his sweet and affectionate disposition and noble spirit. He left his home at the breaking out of the war, and served with the First Maryland regiment in the Confederate service, participating in the battles of Bull Run, and in all the engagements in the Valley under Jack-

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The Army correspondent of the Philadelphia Inquirer says:-"We notice in some of the reports of the late engagement, as published in many of the papers, that General Hooker's division is ignored. Although not prominently in the advance, yet most of the entire division was at some time engaged. Those that were sent to the relief of General Sumner were subjected to a loss in the aggregase of twenty-eight hundred men, while the division under Gen. Birney, who were sent to the relief of Gen. Franklin, alone suffered the loss of near eleven hundred men; but in so doing achieved the only victory that was accomplished during the Saturday's engagement.

Mr. Thaddeus Stevens repeated, in his speech delivered in the House of Representatives, yesterday, that the expenses of the U.S. government were two or three millions a day.

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